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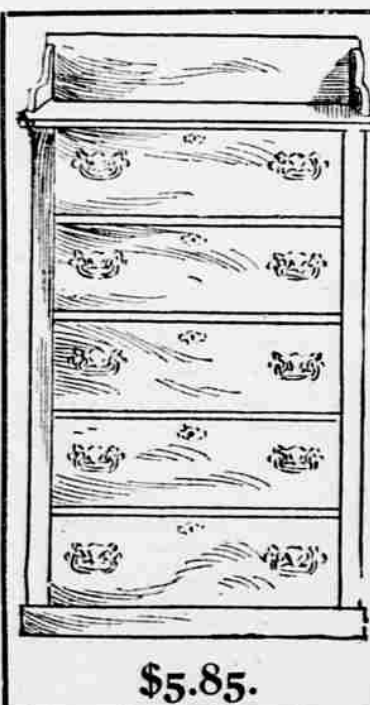
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COURT ATTACHES' JARGON

Costigan and Hogg Boasted of Past Drinking Days.

OLD-TIME MARY UP AGAIN

The Judge Will Let Her Get Out in Time to Celebrate Her Birthday. Moses Barry's "Easy Street" Apparel and His Hindrance to His Own Mental Poverty.

"Guilty," said the word prevalent as an epidemic in the dock of the police court this morning. Even the old-timers forgot the trait politely termed by diplomats unwise, and, throwing themselves on the mercy of the court, accepted with complacency the sentences of his honor. Altogether it was a very uninteresting collection of sinners, few in number, and including only one woman.

So called were the proceedings that Costigan fell sound asleep, and Hogg whitened his walking stick into a splinter and consumed a whole bar of rough black navy plug.

Before the court opened, the two held a conversation with Col. Daniel Williams, who has charge of the collateral bureau. "An air many of the boys payin' up," said, Mister Hogg, asked Cos, introducing Williams, with a great flourish, to Hogg, who bowed solemnly, expressing sincere wishes for the health of the entire family of Williams individually as well as collectively.

"No, Terence, they are not," replied the colonel, who was whisked like a Rajah, and straight as a stalactite. "I tell you, boys, money is tight these days."

"Right you are, sir," returned Hogg, oracularly, expectant across Costigan's foot and drawing from that gentleman a volley of hot tonalio explosives.

"An' it's gittin' tighter. What makes it tighter?" observed Cos, finally mollified by Williams.

"Whiskey, gentlemen, is the greatest trouble in the world for consume time and money; an' what do you get out of it?" continued Costigan, cocking his head on one side, knowingly. "A bad taste in the maw, an' a broken pocket an' heart."

"Bravo, Cos," said Williams, "you're a temperance lecturer for fair."

Costigan repudiated such intention on his part, but said he spoke from past experience.

"But I'll tell ye, boys, in secret," he said, "if all the drinks I've taken in me life was shurrin' out I'd reach across the countree and back again twice."

Hogg, not to be outdone, said just the cocktails he had consumed could be lined up from Australia to Halifax, a statement which precipitated a warm discussion between Costigan and Hogg as to their past abilities to consume liquor, in which the colonel could take no part, as he is a strict abstemious.

It was certainly whisky that brought the majority of the prisoners into court today. Mary Brady was the woman and Mary is no stranger to Judge and bailiffs.

She spends and has spent for some time the last years of her scattered life in the work house. A mathematician would describe his brains in an effort to solve the problem of Mary's age. If she is old as she looks Mary must be a hundred.

Her hair is white and her face wrinkled like an old glove. She is both toothless and shamless.

MARY'S RESPONSE.
"How about it, Mary?" said Kendig to the old woman arraigned on the old charge of vagrancy.

"Guilty O'm, yer honor," croaked Mary, mumbling the words from her wicked old black cavern of a mouth dribbling with snuff. "Make it light, of yer please, because me birthday is the first Windy in June."

"On which occasion she always keeps sober and goes to church," remarked one of the officers. Mary's eyes, glassy from debauchery, followed the policeman closely.

"Bright she air, me lad," she quavered. "Gude for ye, me brave b'y; it's many the play-act Mary'll say for ye."

"Step back, Mary," said the court, kindly. "You get thirty days."

"Thank you, sir," she said, creeping back to the cells.

"If I'm guilty I don't know it," said Moses Barry, sleeping briskly to the rail. The charge was disorderly and refusing to pay cash hire. Moses lacks the slightest appearance of the gentry usually seen in cases where cabbie cannot collect his fare.

Moses is a short, duck-legged colored man, with an insatiable air and a tendency to indulge in flying neckties. He wore a faded, bottle-green coat big enough to fit Flynn, two vests, once fancy plaids, now dingy relics of some sport's easy street days, and a most remarkable pair of trousers that had been patched oftener than a tariff bill. They fell in voluminous folds over Moses' feet, and were "gaillased" high under one shoulder.

Moses had on a very dirty pink shirt, a still dirtier black and white collar and secured in his scarf was a paste pin of gigantic proportions that would not have received an infant in arms. All in all, Moses presented the appearance of a man wearing

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MORE IN A COUPE.

"He was in a coupe, your honor," said the policeman, "singing at the top of his voice, and refusing to pay any attention to the cabman, who was trying to keep him quiet."

"Hush," "hush," interjected Moses; "dat man didn't want no tention, he wanted me ter pay money, yass, ingledy."

"Will you be quiet, sir?" said the court, sternly.

"Keep your mouth shut, sir," remonstrated the bailiff, savagely.

"Good Lawd! dat's de'st in pairs, an' I ain't got a thing ter draw two," replied Moses, unabashed.

"You'll find yourself in the cells without a hearing if you don't stop that tongue of yours," said the bailiff, indignantly.

Hogg remained silent while the policeman went on to say that even the sight of brass buttons had no effect on the defendant, as he kept singing all the way to the station house, and then refused to pay his back toll.

"Now, what do you want to say?" asked the court, looking at Moses, who posed himself in a careless attitude, fingering the fake stone affectionately.

"Boss, yo' honor, of I unnerstands youse right, it's facks dat's got to be made public in de yer cotse."

"Yes, and make them short and to the point."

"Sho, fust we'll sader mah drunk, fo' drunk I wuz, an' in a state of discomber-shun," continued Moses, gesticulating like a ghost dancer. "Den I hires dis man fo' ter get me out ob trouble."

"Did you have any money when you hired him?" questioned the Judge.

"Not a piece, sah," replied Moses, coolly. "I didn't have nuffin, but dat jag; but I imagins, yo' honor, dat I had a barrel."

"Money or gin?" asked Mr. Fugh.

"Sho, sah, bof," replied Barry, amid laughter.

Moses went on to state that the ride through the sweet spring air revived him and the music always latent in race began to stir his soul. "So, I 'gins to sing."

"Gin working then, Moses?" asked Mr. Fugh, smilingly.

"Yass, sah, wukin' mo' fo'ful," grinned Barry, proud of the impression he was creating. "den de phevemen cum up, an' I goes to sleep in de station. An' dat's all," he concluded.

"Yes, and the weakening was this morning and you are fined \$10, and that's all," said the court.

Moses offered to lock his pin with Kendig for the fine, but that functionary refused with an emphatic "nit." So he went down.

HOP SING'S LOST CASH.
Judge Miller Holds George Baum for the Robbery.

Chinatown was well represented in Judge Miller's court this morning, when Hop Sing, a laundryman, at No. 334 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, appeared to prosecute George Baum, a well-dressed young colored man, charged with having stolen \$100 from the cash drawer in the laundry.

Celestials, in clothes of dramatic hues, ranged themselves along the walls and on the benches of the court.

Hop Sing, a small, and very yellow Chinaman, through his interpreter, told the court that he missed \$60 in bills and \$40 in silver from his cash drawer yesterday.

It required several minutes to reinterpret the pigeon English of the interpreter, and he was asked to step down. It was then seen that Hop could speak "Melancholy" better than the interpreter.

"Yesterday this man worked in my laundry with me," said Hop, "an' me had hundred dollar gone by this man."

"How do you know he took your money?" asked his honor.

"Sleem 'im took it."

It was then stated that Baum, with his father, was doing some carpenter work about the upper floor of Hop Sing's laundry. The defendant came down into Sing's laundry when the laundryman was in another room, and then, Hop declared, he saw Baum with his money. He made an outcry and had Baum arrested.

The prisoner swore when placed on the stand that he had not taken the \$100. When questioned, he stated he had been suspected of a theft some time ago, but had left the city.

"The testimony is unquestionably mixed up and tangled on the government's side," remarked Judge Miller; "but it is positive enough to hold this man for the grand jury in \$300 bonds."

DISCUSSED THEIR WORK.

Board of Managers of the Associated Charities held their regular monthly meeting at the central office of the society, 811 G street northwest, yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. There were present, President R. E. Janney, Dr. M. D. Peck, Rev. J. H. Bradford, Mr. L. S. Emery, Miss K. H. Hosner, Miss F. P. Spofford, Mrs. W. H. Baldwin, Mr. F. L. Moore, Col. Archibald Hopkins and Mr. S. W. Woodward.

The report of the treasurer, Mr. John J. Edson, showed a balance in the treasury, after paying the bills for March, \$288.42. Secretary Wilson then read his report of the work for the month of March.

The executive committee presented its report of the status of the work and urged upon the board the necessity of continuing the work of the visitors during the summer months. The provision of a plan scheme for insulating the habit of stamp among the poor people.

By the stamp system, as outlined, a person may be enabled to save in sums from 5 cents up. The committee recommended that the savings books be placed in the hands of the agents at once.

There was some informal discussion concerning the future work of the society, especially with reference to plans for enlisting more volunteer workers to visit among the poor. It was decided to call a special meeting in two weeks to consider further the plans of work along these lines.

APPEAL IN CHAPMAN CASE.
Convicted Broker Will Go to the Higher Court.

An appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States has not yet been taken in the case of Broker Elverson R. Chapman, against whom the Court of Appeals yesterday affirmed the judgment of the lower court. An attempt will probably be made before the day is over, however, to carry the case to the court of last resort.

Mr. Chapman is expected in the city at any time, but he had not arrived at noon today. When Judge Wilson, one of his counsel, was seen by a Times reporter, he said:

"I would gladly tell you if I could what the next step will be in the Chapman case, but I cannot do so at present. I do not know. We received a copy of the opinion only this morning, and I have not had an opportunity to read it yet. The action was unexpected to us."

"My client has not yet been communicated with, and we have not heard from him. It is likely we will take an appeal, if possible. If we file the motion at all it will be done right away."

The decision in this case will influence the course taken in the cases against the six other real-estate witnesses.

Entered Pleas of Not Guilty.

A number of defendants were arraigned before Judge Cole, in Criminal Court, No. 1, today. All entered pleas of not guilty. The list included:

George Marlow and John Jones, the alleged grave-robbing; William F. Roberts, housebreaking; admitted to the District bar before Judge Cox, sitting in the court in general term this morning. The admission was made on motion of District Attorney Binney.

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MARS' LIGHT WAS PUT OUT

Early Morning Occultation of the Planet by the Moon.

Unusual Changes Observed by Astronomers in the Formation of Snow on the Star.

Observers of the sky in the early hours this morning in the eastern part of the United States saw an occultation of the planet Mars, for at that time the moon passed Mars. The immersion occurred before the moon rose here, but the emersion was observed here at 3h. 16m. a.m., Washington time, or 4h. 40m. a.m. Eastern standard time.

An occultation is an eclipse of a planet by the moon, and differs from a solar eclipse in that the star is a mere point at an indefinite distance, hence the moon in intercepting its light casts no penumbra, but is only a perfect shadow, whose cross-section is everywhere equal to the moon's disk.

The Ephemeris gives at least three every month during three years—1896, 1897 and 1898—the Pleiades in Taurus, Praesepe in Cancer and a cluster in Scorpio. The occultations visible here will occur in the following order: April 15, noon, Tauri, 8.53, duration 45 minutes; Cancer, April 20, 10.59, duration 25 minutes; Leo, on the 22d, 1 o'clock p.m., duration 55 minutes; Scorpio, on the 28th, 8.12 a.m., duration 28 minutes.

The occultation of a cluster of stars like that of the Pleiades or Praesepe, is, of course, of a more dramatic character than that of a single star, because it occurs at an early hour of the night, yet if a person is not averse to late hours or early rising one will find quite a number of good occultations of clusters through the years 1896, 1897 and 1898, at least three a month.

Canada's Flammarion has recently located in the Park Observatory, Washington, the unusual changes in the formation of snow on the planet Mars.

These changes are doubtless the consequence of abnormal weather, and the observations of Flammarion at Juvigny are compared with those taken with the great equatorial of the Lick Observatory. When the summer solstice of the southern hemisphere of Mars had begun last August the masses of snow covering the part nearest the poles had diminished considerably, but even in October these snows had not quite disappeared, and in November the width of the snow was still more than sixty miles.

Within that time the width of the region covered by snow had been reduced from 2,000 to sixty miles. The north pole of Mars cannot be observed as readily as the south pole, since the position of the axis of Mars is oblique in reference to that of the earth, but in spite of this fact the snow cap of the north pole, which is much larger than that on the southern part of that planet, was visible most of the time.

"HERMIT" RILEY'S MONEY.
Police Believe He Left a Hoard in an Old Pouch.

John Riley, the former Washington hermit, who died in the almshouse hospital yesterday, as told in The Morning Times, will not be buried in Potter's Field.

This morning the body of Riley, who died at the age of 67, was taken to the morgue by several of the old man's friends. Among these were Mr. George Simmons, an employee of the Potomac Electric Power and Light Company, and Mr. H. J. Miller, another railroad man. They had called upon Father Sullivan of St. Peter's church, on Capitol Hill, and he provided a certificate granting a site for Riley's burial in Mount Olivet cemetery.

Mr. Riley, who was a friend of his, sent to Father Sullivan today a lot of papers which had been given him by deceased, bearing on Riley's big claim against the United States for services rendered while commanding Mississippi River steamers and transports during the war while he was serving under Gen. Grant and Fremont, and carrying supplies to the Army of the Cumberland.

Mr. Frank was also informed that Riley was a tenant of William M. Conway, a large sum of money hidden in the recesses of the old building which he occupied in the ancient structure, No. 1304 Maryland avenue southwest, Lieut. Vernon of the Fourth precinct will have the grating of the building searched. It was known that Riley kept his hoardings in a greasy old buckskin pouch, and an effort will be made to find the receptacle at the time Riley was removed to the hospital it is said he had \$13 on his person. His mass of official and historical papers will be taken charge of by the police.

GRAND JURORS CHOSEN.
They Select the Foreman and Are Ready for Work.

The full panel of the grand jury for the April term of court was completed in Judge Cole's court this morning. The list includes the following names:

J. Blake Kendall, William G. Roe, Harry R. Johnson, Ralph Worley, James O. Carter, J. J. Mohler, Joseph E. Crandall, Jeremiah E. Donovan, George C. Gwynn, Henry S. Dunn, W. W. Farley, James C. Reeves, Walter A. Pinchback, William Dorsey, Charles R. Wright, Howard Fill, Thomas Chase, Charles Beaver, George Kraft, Henry C. Jones, Hamilton Nelson, H. J. Albert and James E. Crump. Mr. Kraft was chosen foreman by his fellow jurors.

Senator Morgan's Condition.
Senator Morgan, whose illness has been a subject of much concern to his friends, was reported today to be considerably better. It is believed he will be able to resume his duties in the course of a week, although he is obliged now to secure rest and quiet.

Recorder Can Practice Law.
Charles H. J. Taylor, recorder of deeds, was admitted to the District bar before Judge Cox, sitting in the court in general term this morning. The admission was made on motion of District Attorney Binney.

Cotton Mills Burned.
Atlanta, Ga., April 8.—A special to the Constitution from Douglasville says: Eden Park Cotton Mills were destroyed by fire last night. Loss, \$125,000. One hundred hands were thrown out of employment.

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RYLING ABOUT GAMBLING.
Owners' and Landlords Not Responsible for Tenants' Acts.

Judge Miller decided this forenoon that the owners or tenants of buildings are not responsible for gaming permitted in the rooms or apartments of sub-tenants by the latter, when the first tenant is not aware that the sub-tenant intends to use the apartments assigned him, for gambling purposes.

The case of William Crandall, of the boarding-house at No. 456 1/2 street northwest, was raised by Precinct Detective Hartigan and Private Cox some time ago, was a sub-tenant, was heard this morning. Crandall was charged with permitting gaming on his premises in allowing Conway to carry on a game of poker in his room on an upper floor. Several witnesses testified that games had been played in Conway's room and the defendant was cognizant of the fact.

Lawyer F. R. Keys, for the defense, held that Crandall was not responsible for the acts of Conway, and could do nothing if he learned gaming was going on after he had received rent in advance from Conway, and had not known when the latter applied to him for rooms that Conway would carry on an unlawful act in the rooms.

Judge Miller sustained this view and dismissed the case. Several similar cases which were brought up before the police court will doubtless be nolle prossed.

Single-Tax Meeting.
The regular weekly meeting of the Single Tax Club this evening at the Metropolitan Temple will be addressed by Mr. Maurice Pechin upon "A True View of the Single Tax." Mr. Pechin is a good speaker and at the conclusion of the address the meeting will be thrown open for general discussion.

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